

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

ARTHROCARE CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

v.

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.

Defendant.

C.A. No. 01-504-SLR

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.,

Counterclaim Plaintiff,

v.

ARTHROCARE CORPORATION, AND
ETHICON, INC.,

Counterclaim Defendants.

SMITH & NEPHEW'S NOTICE PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. § 282

Defendant Smith & Nephew, Inc. ("Smith & Nephew") hereby provides its written notice pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 282 of the patents and publications that it may rely upon to anticipate, render obvious or show the state of the art with respect to United States Patent No. 5,697,536 ("the '536 patent"), 5,697,882 ("the 882 patent"), and 6,224,592 ("the '592 patent"). Smith & Nephew may also rely on the persons listed below as being prior inventors or having prior knowledge of or as having previously used or offered for sale the inventions of the patents-in-suit. Smith & Nephew also incorporates by reference the items set forth in its responses to Plaintiff's Interrogatories and in the expert reports of Dr. Kenneth Taylor, Dr. Michael Choti, Dr. Kim Manwaring and Ronald Panitch, Esq.

Furthermore, in light of the recent filings by the parties on proposed claim construction, Smith & Nephew reserves the right to further supplement this notice depending on the Court's ruling on claim construction and/or possible new claim constructions.

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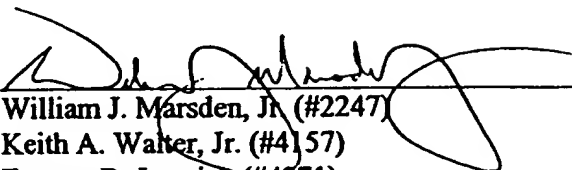
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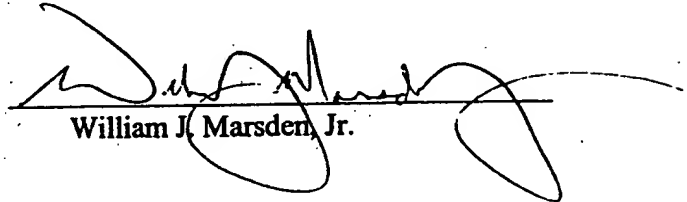
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